GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3102
ANSWERED ON:10.12.2001
IRRIGATION FACILITIES IN BIHAR
RAJO SINGH

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the projects for augmentation of irrigation facility in Bihar pending with the Union Government for clearance;

(b) the time by which these projects are likely to be approved; and

(c) the funds proposed to be allotted to the Government of Bihar under the rapid irrigation benefit programme during the current year?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI ARJUN CHARAN SETHI)

(a) & (b) Four major irrigation projects of recorganized Bihar State have been received in the Central Water Commission for techno-economic appraisal. Out of these Punpun Barrage and Tilaiya Dhadar have been accepted bythe Advisory Committee of Ministry of Water Resources subject to certain conditions which are yet to be complied with by the State Government. The Kadwan Reservoir and Upper Mahananda projects are under correspondence with the State Government. Clearance of these projects depends inter-alia upon the promptness of compliance of the observations of various Central appraising agencies by the State Government.

(c) Government of India has been providing Central Loan Assistance under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Prgramme for early completion of ongoing irrigation projects since 1996. Details of Central Loan Assistance released to Government of Bihar till March 2001 is at annexure. For 2001-2002, the Planning Commission has fixed a ceiling of Rs. 200 crores for Bihar under Accelerated Irrigation Benefits Programme.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 3102 TO BE ANSWERED ON 10.12.2001

(Rs. in crore)

Sl.No.	Name of Project	CLA released during						
		96-97	97-98	98-99	99-2000	2000-01	2001-02	Total
	Major, Medium & Minor Irrigation Projects							
1	Western Kosi Canal	10	0	14.635	30.57	59		114.205
2	Upper Kiul	2.5	0	5.1	7.625	1.2	-	16.425
3	Durgawati	1	0	1.15	11	18.74		31.89
4	Bansagar	0	1.5	2	80			83.5
5	Orni Reservoir	0	2.03	5.5	0	2.37	-	9.9
6	Bilasi Reservoir	0	1.62	0.8	0.5	47		3.39
7	Sone canal modernization	0	0	7	0	66.66		73.66
	Total	13.5	5.15	36.185	129.695	148.44	0	332.97